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## OUR LITTLE GIRL.

Close to my lips I press the prize,  
It may be weakness so to do,  
But something thrilling in my eyes  
That tells of all I feel and know.

Is the expense I offer you,  
Tid-ling and odd of golden hair  
Speaks to my heart of one who died—  
A blue-eyed boy, as sweet and fair  
As *Adriana* cradled a father's pride,  
One *Summer's* flowers above his bed  
Have sweetly bloomed and gone to rest,  
Since last I held his little head  
Against my sad and aching breast,  
Above his sleep the snowy white  
Has softly gathered, like a crown  
And hidden from my eyes' dim sight  
The Winter-glass-bells peer and brown

But whether with the roses' red,  
Or with the Winter's drapery,  
His little grave he garlanded,  
It is a lovely spot to me.

There, when the shadows of the night  
Arise and drive the day afar,  
I see him, with his crown of light,  
Look down from Heaven like a star.

I see his raptures - still undimmed  
 In bright waves from the starry sky;  
 I hear his sweet voice in the wind  
 That murmurs through each blossomed  
 tree.  
 And well I know that, could he leave  
 His home in God's pure realm of bliss,  
 He'd come and 'round my forehead weave  
 The beauty of an angel's kiss.  
 You may pronounce my sorrow vain,  
 But I have felt the bliss of pain.

To hear the feet treads of a voice,  
The sweetest music to his ear ;  
To feel the caress of all joys—  
The dearest gladness—disappear  
To see the shadows close about  
The brightest ray that ever shone ;  
To see the coffin lid shut out

The dearest child he has known.  
This is the pain the father feels  
When death has made his hearthstone  
desert,  
When ever the silent form he kneels  
To weep above his loved one's bier.  
So, surely you'll not call me weak  
Because I bow this lock of hair—  
This curl which o'er my first-born's cheek  
Once fluttered in the Summer air.

CARL DURN.

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